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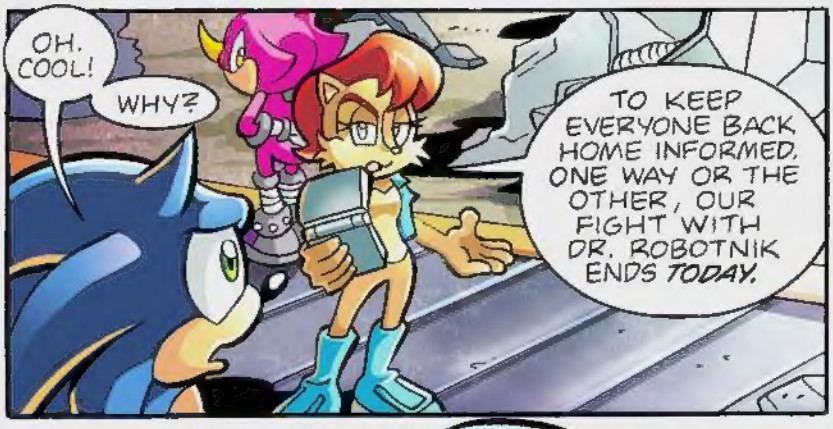
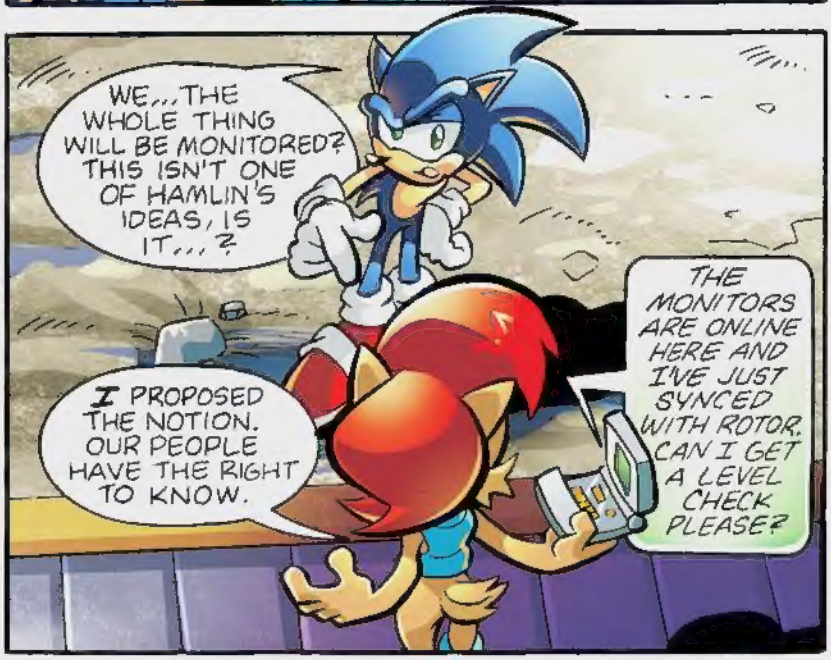
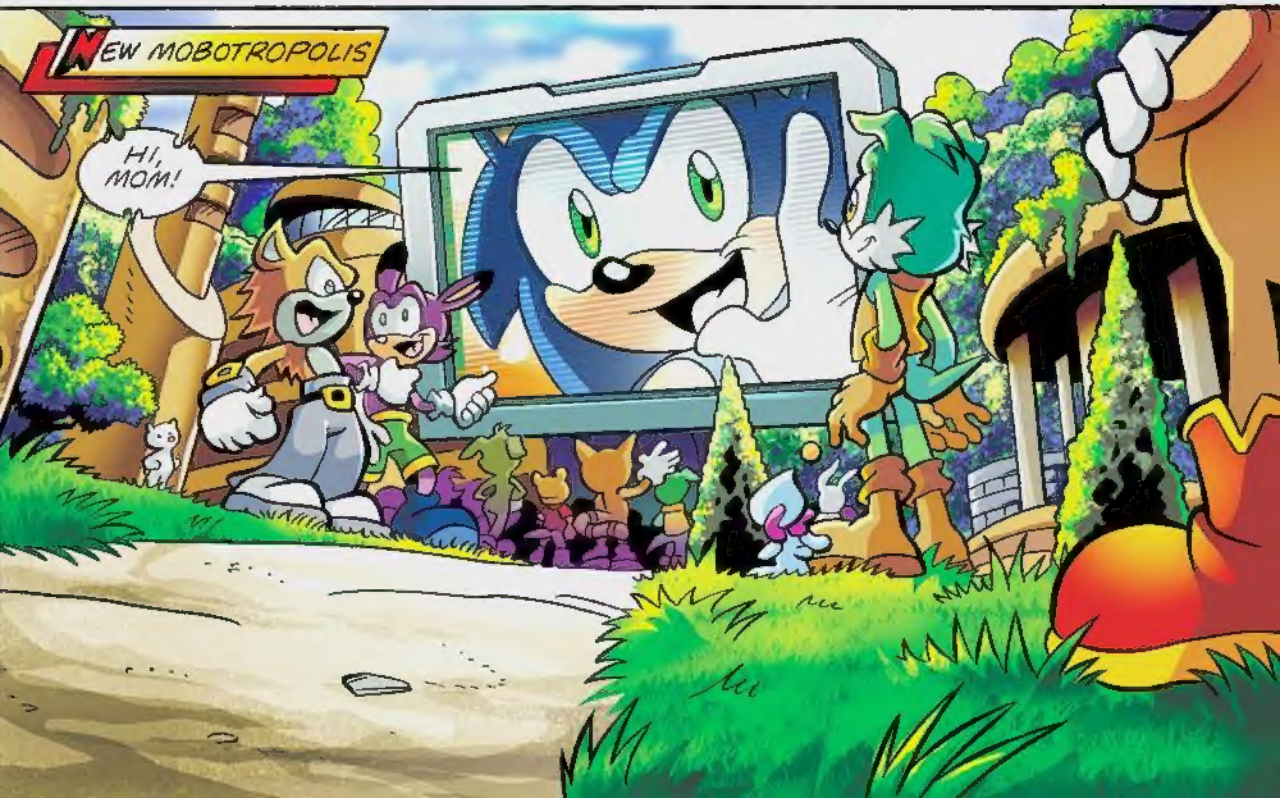
I THINK ONE OF US NEEDS MORE SLEEP, BECAUSE THAT MADE NO SENSE.
WE'RE SETTING UP A LIVE DATA STREAM BACK TO OUR CITY.


OH. COOL!
WHY?
TO KEEP EVERYONE BACK HOME INFORMED, ONE WAY OR THE OTHER, OUR FIGHT WITH DR. ROBOTNIK ENDS TODAY.


WE... THE WHOLE THING WILL BE MONITORED? THIS ISN'T ONE OF HAMLIN'S IDEAS, IS IT...?
I PROPOSED THE NOTION. OUR PEOPLE HAVE THE RIGHT TO KNOW.
THE MONITORS ARE ONLINE HERE AND I'VE JUST SYNCED WITH ROTOR. CAN I GET A LEVEL CHECK PLEASE?


NEW MOBOTROPOLIS
HI, MOM!

OKAY-- LAST CHECKS, JULIE-SU?
I'M SYNCED WITH NICOLE AND WILL BE THE CONTACT FOR OUR TEAM.
THE CHAOTIX ARE READY, SALLY.
LET'S DO IT TO IT, SAL.
I'LL KEEP THINGS UNDER CONTROL HERE.
FREEDOM FIGHTERS!
CHAOTIX!
LET'S TAKE DOWN THE EGGMAN EMPIRE!

EGGDOME
WHAM!
THE ENEMY HAS BEGUN THEIR ASSAULT! STEP IT UP, EVERYONE!
TEAM "FIRE" TO ENTRY POINT ALPHA.
TEAM "ICE" TO ENTRY POINT BETA.
YOU'RE THE FRONT LINES.
WHAM!
EVERY PIECE OF MATERIAL GOES TO THE BARRICADE OUTSIDE OF THE CORE CHAMBER. FOLLOW DR. EGGMAN'S BLUEPRINTS EXACTLY!
WHAM!
FOLLOW THE PLAN, EVERYONE. IT MAKES NO BLASTED SENSE, BUT IT'S ALL WE'VE GOT.

THE PLAN DOES MAKE SENSE, LIEN-DA.
WHAM!
A BARRICADE WITH A HOLE JUST BIG ENOUGH FOR SONIC TO GET THROUGH MAKES SENSE?

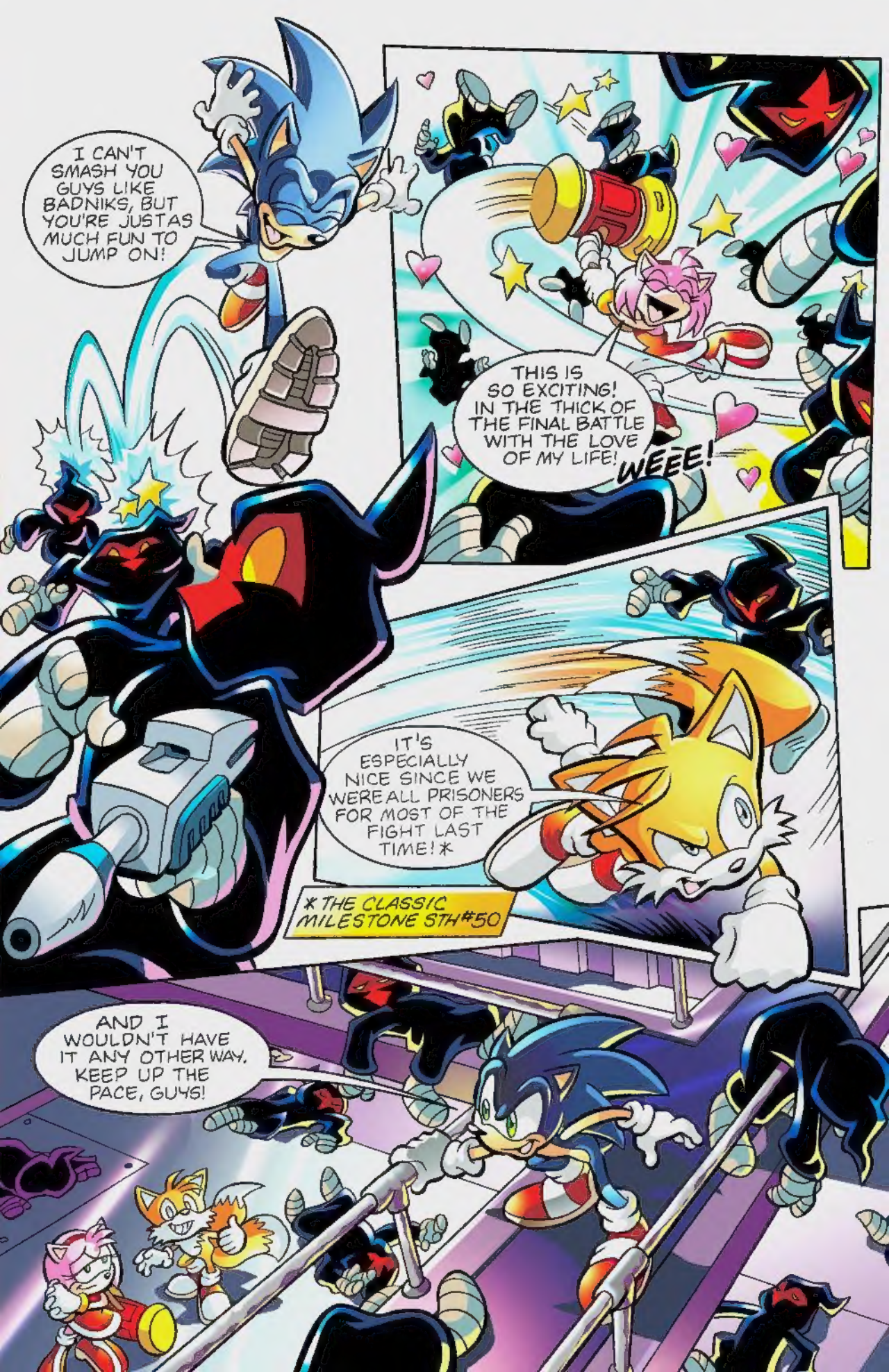
NO, NOT THE DOCTOR'S PLAN. THAT'S MADNESS. I MEAN THE REAL PLAN.
WHAM!
AH. STILL, THAT'S A RISKY GAMBIT.

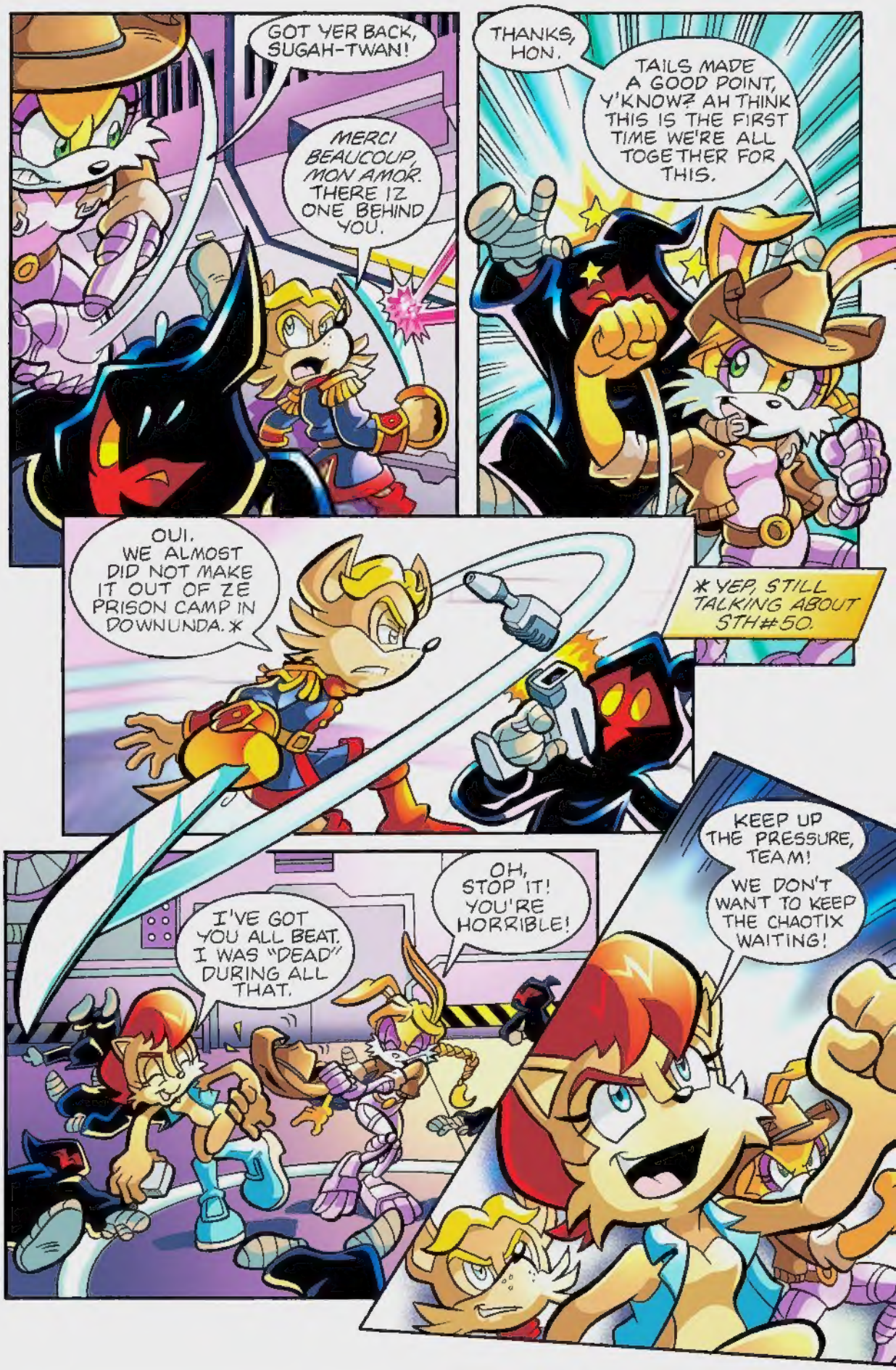
CAN WE REALLY TRUST SNIVELY? WE KNOW NOTHING ABOUT HER EXCEPT WHAT HE'S TOLD US.
AS THE SAYING GOES, GRANDDAUGHTER: "ANY PORT IN A STORM".
WHAM!

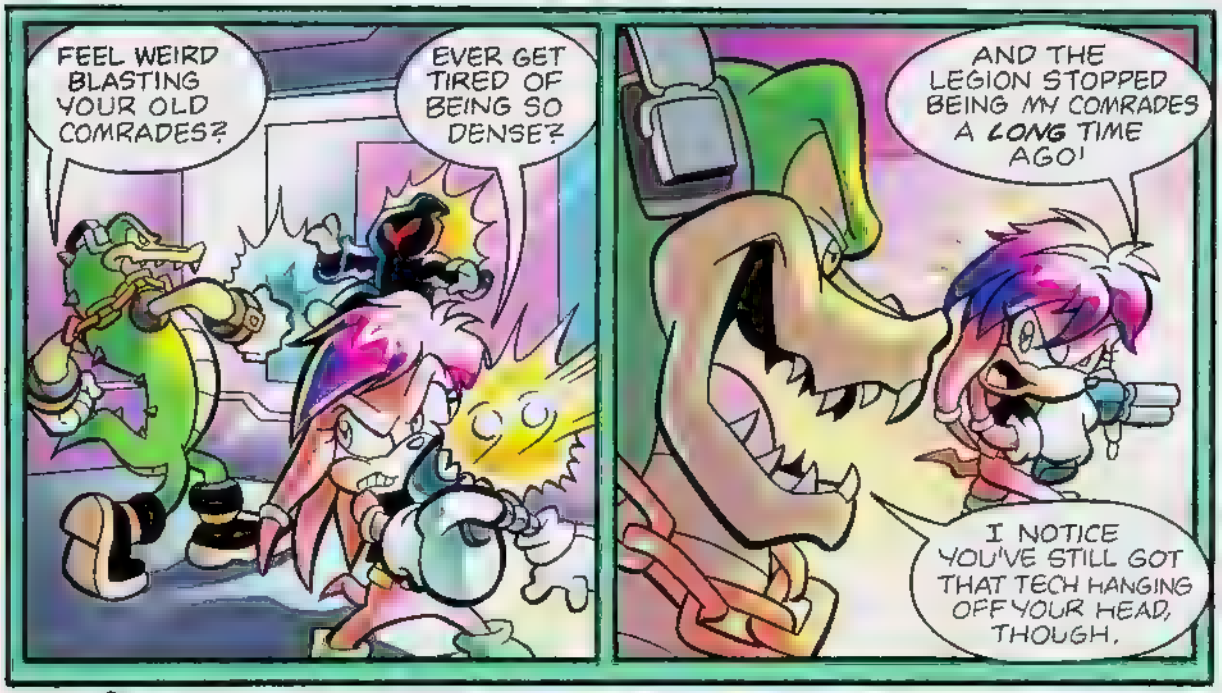
WHAM!
UNTIL THEN, FOLLOW THE DOCTOR'S ORDERS.
OUR PEOPLE SHOULD EMERGE LARGELY UNSCATHED, AND THEN THE "HEROES" WILL BE HIS PROBLEM.

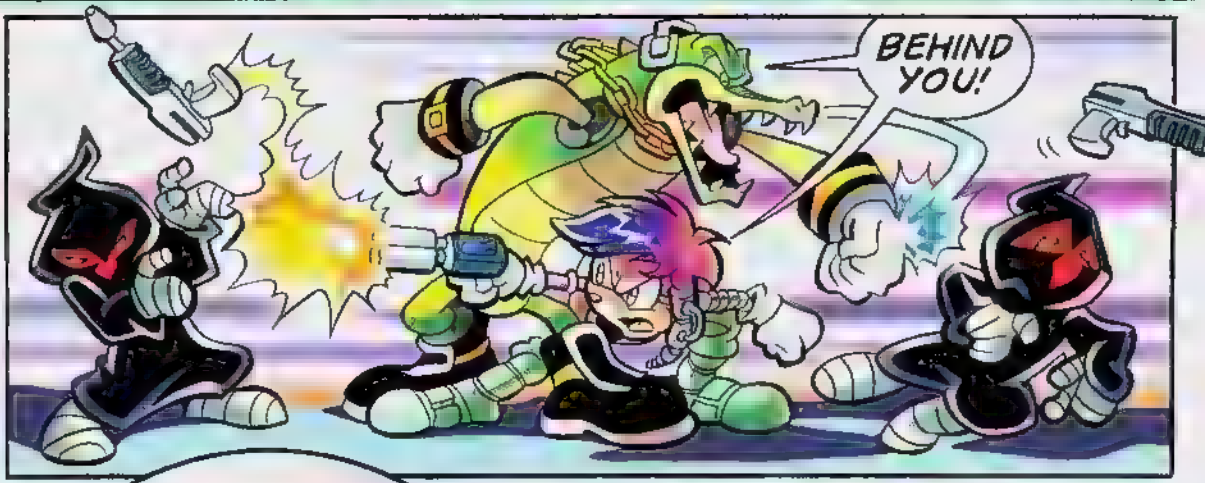
ALMOST THROUGH!
WHAM!
JUST A COUPLE OF MORE HITS!
MAN-O-MAN, I FEEL BAD FOR ANYONE WAITING FOR US ON THE OTHER SIDE.
READY FOR LAUNCH, SONIC?
ONE SPEED-DASH SPECIAL ON MY MARK...!
WE'RE IN!
GO, SUGAH-HOG!
PIKO!

AW... I GUESS THEY'RE ALL LYING IN WAIT.
COAST IS CLEAR, GUYS!
FREEDOM FIGHTERS! TAKE THE WEST HALL! SONIC, YOU'RE ON POINT!
SWEET!
CHAOTIX! YOU HAVE THE EAST HALL! JULIE-SU, KEEP ME POSTED!


I CAN'T SMASH YOU GUYS LIKE BADNIKS, BUT YOU'RE JUST AS MUCH FUN TO JUMP ON!
THIS IS SO EXCITING! IN THE THICK OF THE FINAL BATTLE WITH THE LOVE OF MY LIFE!
WEEE!
IT'S ESPECIALLY NICE SINCE WE WERE ALL PRISONERS FOR MOST OF THE FIGHT LAST TIME! *
* THE CLASSIC MILESTONE STH #50
AND I WOULDN'T HAVE IT ANY OTHER WAY. KEEP UP THE PACE, GUYS!


GOT YER BACK, SUGAH-TWAN!
MERCI BEAUCOUP, MON AMOR. THERE IZ ONE BEHIND YOU.
THANKS, HON.
TAILS MADE A GOOD POINT, Y'KNOW? AH THINK THIS IS THE FIRST TIME WE'RE ALL TOGETHER FOR THIS.
OUI. WE ALMOST DID NOT MAKE IT OUT OF ZE PRISON CAMP IN DOWNUNDA. *
* YEP, STILL TALKING ABOUT STH#50.
I'VE GOT YOU ALL BEAT. I WAS "DEAD" DURING ALL THAT.
OH, STOP IT! YOU'RE HORRIBLE!
KEEP UP THE PRESSURE, TEAM!
WE DON'T WANT TO KEEP THE CHAOTIX WAITING!


FEEL WEIRD BLASTING YOUR OLD COMRADES?
EVER GET TIRED OF BEING SO DENSE?
AND THE LEGION STOPPED BEING MY COMRADES A LONG TIME AGO!
I NOTICE YOU'VE STILL GOT THAT TECH HANGING OFF YOUR HEAD, THOUGH.


BEHIND YOU!

...THANKS.
LET'S NOT MAKE A HABIT OF RESCUING EACH OTHER.
NO WAY! WE DON'T WANT FOLKS THINKING WE LIKE EACH OTHER.

STAY BACK! WE'RE PINNED DOWN!
CHARMY AND FRIENDS TO THE RESCUE!
WEEEEE!
TAKE THAT!
AND THAT!
AND SOME OF THOSE!
HOW DO YOU LIKE THAT? THE ONES WE SWORE TO PROTECT...
...END UP SAVING US.

WE'VE GOT THEM ON THE RUN, KNUX.
HEY. ARE YOU OKAY? CAN YOU GO THROUGH WITH THIS?
THEY MAY BE HALF THE LAST OF OUR KIND, BUT THEY'RE STILL WORKING FOR EGGMAN. WE HAVE TO STOP THEM FOR THEIR OWN GOOD. YOU WITH ME?
ALWAYS.
THEN LET'S HURRY UP AND--
--YOU!
THAT'S FAR ENOUGH, CHILDREN.

WHAT'S THE LATEST REPORT, KOMMISSAR?
TEAMS "FIRE" AND "ICE" REPORT LOSING ON SCHEDULE. POINTS ALPHA AND BETA HAVE NEARLY FALLEN AND...
Ugh... ARE YOU WEARING COLOGNE?!
IT WAS A GIFT FROM HER REGION OF THE WORLD. QUITE THE SCENT, ISN'T IT?
YOU COULD SAY THAT. YOUR NOSE IS BIGGER THAN MINE. HOW CAN YOU STAND THAT?
Hmph. YET ONE MORE THING YOU ANIMALS WILL NEVER UNDERSTAND ABOUT MY KIND.
NEVER MIND. YOU MAY DIRECT THE LEGION TO MOVE ON TO PHASE TWO.
YES =KOFF= SIR.

THOROUGH BUNCH OF CRONIES, AREN'T THEY?
UNFORTUNATELY, THEY'VE BROKEN OUR MOMENTUM.
OKAY, I DIDN'T WANT TO USE OUR TRUMP SO SOON, BUT I'LL NEED A SHIELD FROM BUNNIE
SONIC WILL GO IN LOW, TAILS ON HIGH.
AMY AND ANTOINE WILL COME IN NEXT AND COVER THEM, DISARMING WHERE THEY CAN. THEN BUNNIE AND I WILL...
YO, SAL!
WHAT, SONIC?
YOU CAN DITCH THE PLAN.
THE LEGION JUST RETREATED.
WHAT?! THEY HAD US PINNED!

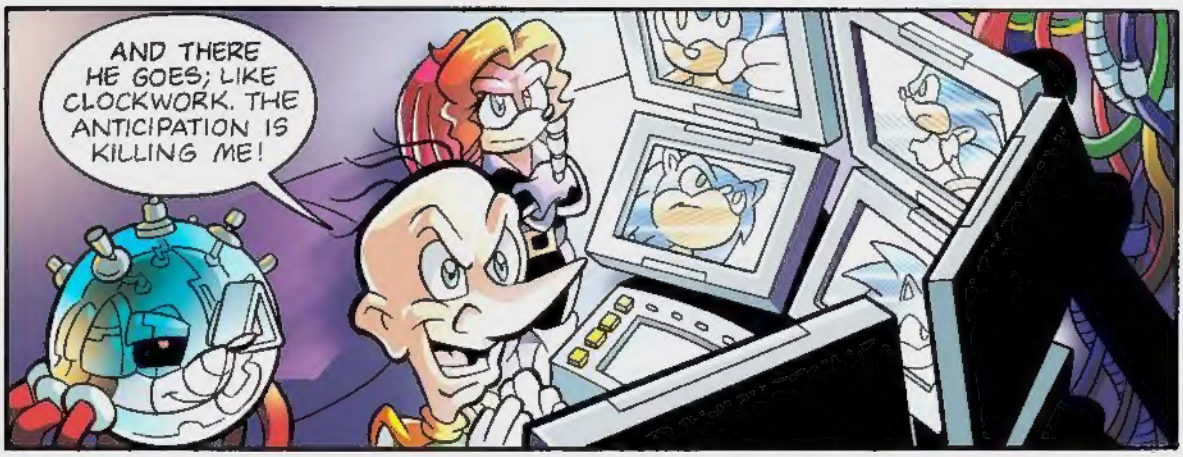
"WHAT'S GOING ON?"
HEY, KNUX! WE'RE JUST ABOUT-- OOP!
HOLD ON, VEC. MOVE, DIMITRI.
IS THAT WHAT YOU COMMAND, GUARDIAN?
AT OVER 600 YEARS, I AM A WELL OF INFORMATION. I AM ONE OF THE FEW REMAINING ECHIDNAS ALIVE. I AM ALMOST ALL THAT IS LEFT OF YOUR FAMILY. YOU GAVE YOUR LIFE TO SAVE ME ONCE.*
* WAY BACK IN STH#118, REMEMBER?
IF I REFUSE, WILL YOU MAKE ME MOVE?
YES.
Hmph. EDMUND'S CONVICTIONS LIVE ON IN YOU.
GOOD LUCK, NEPHEW.
Uh... KNUX?
I DON'T KNOW, VEC. I JUST DON'T KNOW.

KNUCKLES! I TRUST THINGS WENT OKAY?
FINE.
TOO EASY, TO BE HONEST.
DITTO. I KNOW WE'VE KICKED THEIR BUTTS A LOT RECENTLY, BUT IT'S LIKE THEY'RE NOT EVEN PUTTING UP A SERIOUS FIGHT.
DUN SOUND SO DISAPPOINTED. AH THINK WE'RE OWED AN EASY WIN.
MAYBE BECAUSE THEY PREPARED FOR A SIEGE? THIS BARRICADE MAY BE MADE OF JUNK, BUT IT'S SOLIDLY BUILT.
ALL EXCEPT FOR THIS HOLE. I WONDER WHAT IT'S FOR?
IT'S A BOTTLENECK, AND AN INVITATION.
EEP!
SORRY, RAY.

EXPLAIN.
MOST OF US COULD SQUEEZE THROUGH JUST AS THEY DID. BUT WE WOULD BE EASY TO SINGLE OUT AND DIVIDE, HENCE THE BOTTLENECK...
GIVEN THE CHATTER I HEARD ABOUT EGGMAN, I ALSO BELIEVE THE HOLE WAS MEANT FOR SONIC TO SPIN DASH THROUGH QUICKLY AND DELIVER HIM TO THE DOCTOR.
HENCE THE INVITATION.
HE SURE KNOWS HOW TO MAKE A GUY FEEL WELCOME.
WELL, TIME TO TAKE CARE OF BUSINESS.
SONIC! NO! YOU CAN'T GO IN THERE ALONE!
WHAT ELSE DO YOU WANT US TO DO?
IF WE SPEND ALL OUR ENERGY TEARING THE WALL DOWN, WE'LL HAVE TO FALL BACK. AND THEN WHAT? WAIT FOR THEIR COUNTER-ATTACK? LET EGGMAN RUN FOR IT?
OR-- I GO IN, START THE SHOW, AND YOU GUYS COME BACK ME UP. THAT'S WORKED FOR PRETTY MUCH THE WHOLE WAR.
YES, BUT--!

YOU BE CAREFUL IN THERE!
OF COURSE I WILL, SAL.
SAVE SOME FUN FOR US, TRUE BLUE.
THEN DON'T TAKE TOO LONG, RAD RED.
FIND THE BREAKING POINT FOR THE WALL FOR THESE GUYS, ALRIGHT?
S-SURE THING. BE CAREFUL IN THERE.
OH, MY BRAVE SONIC! GOOD LUCK! I LOVE YOU!
AMY!
...THANKS.
SEE YOU ON THE FLIP SIDE, GUYS.

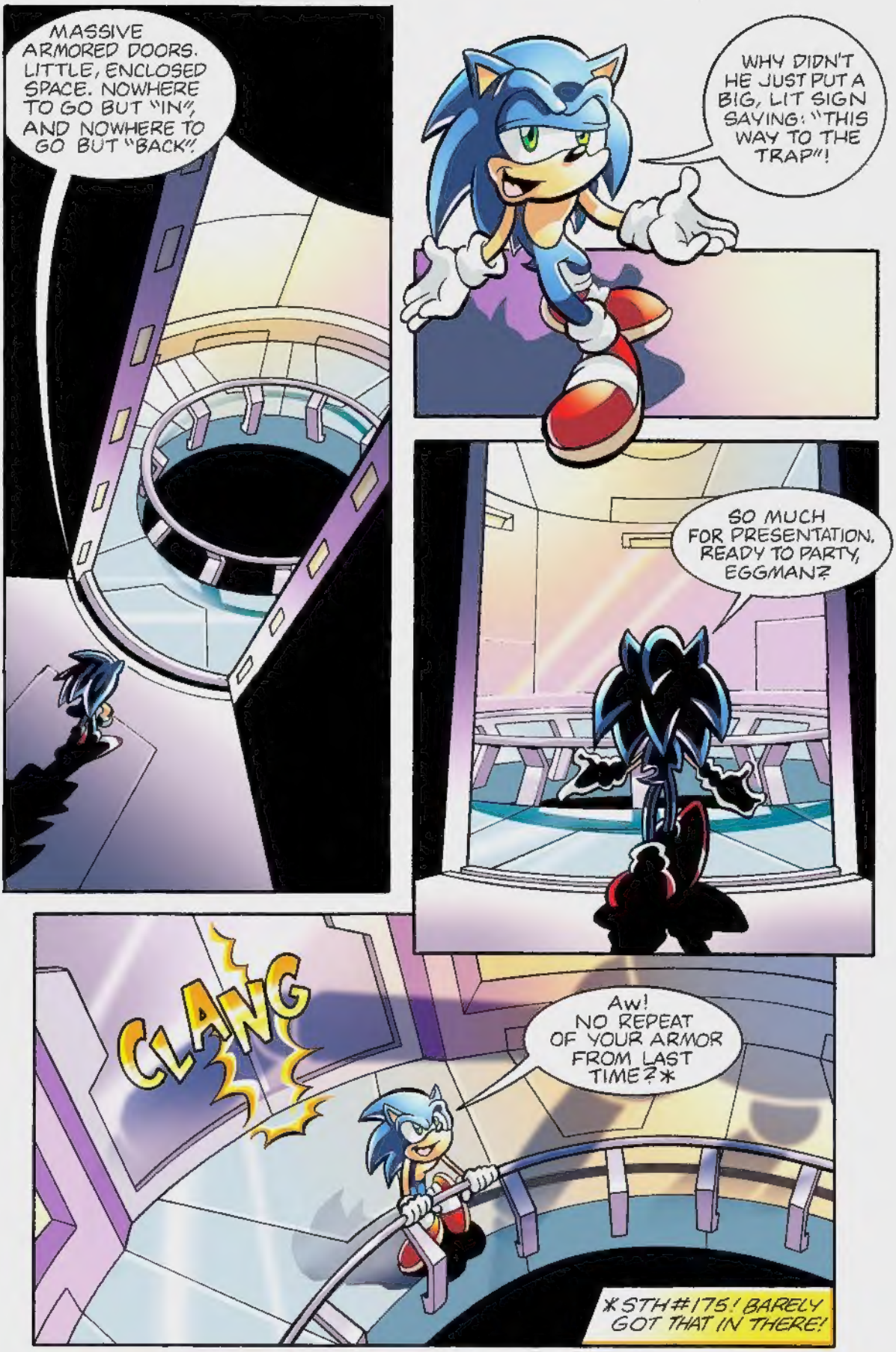
ZOOM
SALUTES? A MINUTE AGO IT WAS LASERS, AND NOW IT'S THE RED CARPET?
I CAN SEE THE DOC WANTING A SHOW-DOWN, BUT THIS FEELS OFF. SOMETHING'S UP.
I'LL JUST HAVE TO ASK HIM ONCE I'M DONE OVERTHROWING HIS GLOBAL EMPIRE.


AND THERE HE GOES; LIKE CLOCKWORK. THE ANTICIPATION IS KILLING ME!

KOMMISSAR! MAKE SURE THE DARK EGG LEGION HOLDS SONIC'S FRIENDS AT BAY UNTIL HE'S SEALED IN WITH MY UNCLE.
YES, SIR.

GRANDMASTER, YOU MAY WAIT FOR ME AT THE LANDING BAY ON TOP OF THE EGGDOME.
VERY GOOD, SIR.

I'LL JOIN YOU SHORTLY.
I NEED TO OVERSEE THE LAST MOMENTS OF THE EGGMAN EMPIRE.


MASSIVE ARMORED DOORS. LITTLE, ENCLOSED SPACE. NOWHERE TO GO BUT "IN", AND NOWHERE TO GO BUT "BACK"!
WHY DIDN'T HE JUST PUT A BIG, LIT SIGN SAYING: "THIS WAY TO THE TRAP"!
SO MUCH FOR PRESENTATION. READY TO PARTY, EGGMAN?
CLANG
Aw! NO REPEAT OF YOUR ARMOR FROM LAST TIME?*
*STH #175! BARELY GOT THAT IN THERE!

THIS IS THE END OF IT, RODENT! YOU WON'T LEAVE THIS ROOM ALIVE!
BIG WORDS, BIG MAN! LET'S GO!
This is it!
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Dear Sonic Grams,
How's it hangin'? First, I want to congratulate you guys on Sonic Universe! It's just plain...awesome! And you guys are almost at issue #200! The excitement is killing me!

It's a good time to be a Sonic fan all right!

By the way, I have a few things I want to ask:
1) In M:25YL, Locke dies in issue #143. BUT, as far as we know, Locke gave his life to save Knuckles in the now classic #184. Does that mean that the future is gonna be different AGAIN?

Mobius: 25 Years Later has always been an alternate future. And thanks to the actions of King Sonic to fix the holes in the timeline, "M25YL" is even more different than the present day Mobius. It doesn't make it any less fun to visit, though!

2) Why did Scourge turn purple instead of yellow when he went super in #196?

He's just that evil! Seriously though, he followed a trend. Our blue Sonic turned into his inverse color: yellow-gold when going "super." The black Shadow turned white-gold. Scourge, being green, turned purple – with a golden glow, of course.

3) What happened to Fiona, Scourge's girlfriend?

She seems to have slipped away during the fight. What plans might she be cooking up in the shadows?

4) What did Rouge mean at the end of #186? What is she planning?

The super-thief seems to be plotting on how to steal Knuckles' heart!

5) I've asked this before but... where is Omega? You guys ever gonna show him?

You better believe it! Don't miss Sonic Universe #3 for Omega's big debut!

See ya next month!
-Drew M.
Sent via e-mail to Sonic@ArchieComics.com

Dear Sonic Grams,
Sonic Universe is so awesome. The first issue was like the Archie comics and I loved the scene when Shadow got mad at Marine for leaving him stranded. Can Marine and Blaze come back in more issues?

That's all up to you – the readers! Let us know if you want to see more Blaze and Marine!

Also, will characters like Sally, Bunnie and rotor return or will the comic only have video game characters?

-Thomas S.
Sent via e-mail to Sonic@ArchieComics.com

The Freedom Fighters aren't going anywhere! You've seen them working together over the last few issues. Keep reading to see where their adventures take them next!

Until next time, keep those letters comin' - and always keep on juicin'!

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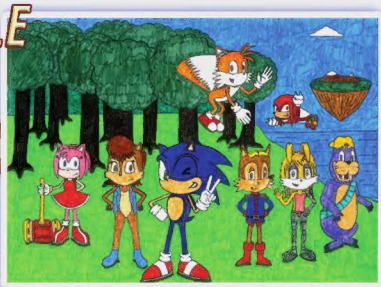

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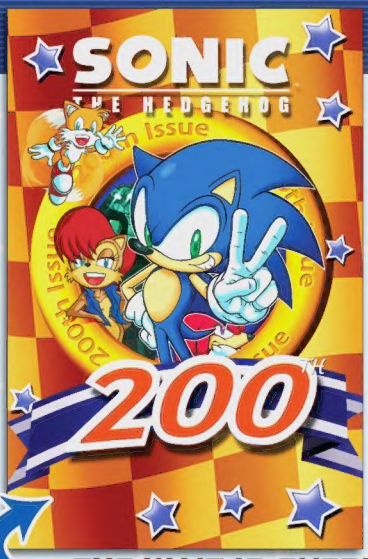

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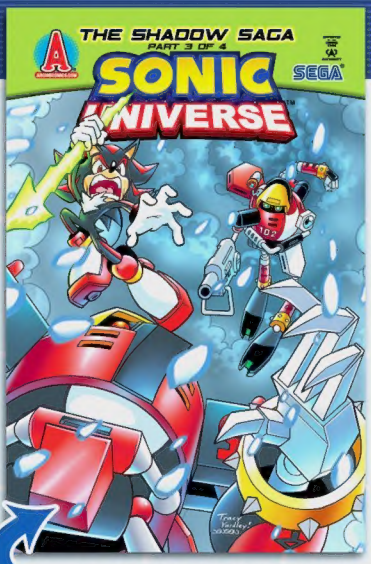

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